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DEATH.

The Rev. G. W. GREENE, D.D., one of the
oldest members of the Baptist Mission, Canton,
and one much beloved both by Chinese and
Americans, passed quietly away to his Eternal
Home on Sunday last, the 17th December, at
noon. He was taken suddenly with apoplexy.
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HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VOGES ROAD C
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, EC

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 22ND, 1911.

With the return of SUN YAT SEN to China
we presume the public will soon be informed
of the precise character of the constitution
contemplated by the Revolutionary leaders.
The question appears to have been under
discussion for a month past at Shanghai by
a conference representing the whole of the
provinces which have declared their indepen-
dence of Manchu rule, and the delay in
reaching a definite result, or at least in
making the decision public, suggests either
that there is no unanimity of opinion on
the question, or that it has been deemed
advisable to await the outcome of the nego-
tiations which are now in progress between
the Revolutionaries and Imperialists. SUN
YAT SEN, who reached Hongkong yester-
day, is proceeding to Shanghai, and as it
is due to his initiative and organising
ability that the Revolutionaries owe so much
of their success, his presence in Shanghai
will probably be welcomed by Dr. WU
TING FANG, who has been selected by the
Revolutionary provinces to discuss terms
with TANG SHAO YI, the Premier's repre-
sentative. While the demands of the two
parties appear in one or two important re-
spects to be absolutely irreconcilable, the fact
that the Legations, with the authority of

their respective Governments, have, through
the Consuls, sent a message to the Con-
ference urging the importance of a friendly
settlement in the interests of China herself,
and the interests which Foreigners have in
the country, will doubtless do much to pro-
mote this desired result. Possibly a good
deal will turn upon the precise
nature of the governmental organisation
which the Republicans wish to substitute
for that which they have discarded. We
have been accustomed to read that the
United States system is generally accepted
as the model; but we note that when the
provincial delegates assembled at Shanghai
last month were putting their ideas into
definite shape there was a strong disposi-
tion to favour the Swiss system, inasmuch
as the institution of a small Executive Council
would evade the difficulty felt of finding a
suitable man for the Presidency. This
would more nearly approach the conditions
already established by the Edict of the
EMPEROR-DOWAGER accepting Prince CHEN's
resignation of the Regency. By that Edict
issued on the 8th inst. the responsible duties
in connection with official appointments,
political administration, etc., were entrusted
to the Premier and the Ministers of State,
with the simple limitation that the Decrees
for promulgation shall be stamped with the
Imperial Seal and that the EMPEROR-
DOWAGER shall accompany the EMPEROR on
the occasions of ceremonial audiences. Thus
a limited monarchy has already been estab-
lished, and if the Provincial Assemblies
are given control over the appointment of
this Executive Council of State, a *modus
vivendi* is offered which in all probability
would prove acceptable to the bulk of the
people. But it is one to which the stoutest
opposition could only be expected from the
Revolutionary leaders, and it is surprising
to learn from the telegraphic news we
publish this morning that TANG SHAO YI
was unprepared for it. A deadlock has
been reached, because Dr. WU TING FANG
insists that the establishment of a Republic
is the only basis of a settlement, and the
reply which the representative of the
Revolutionaries has returned to the
"unofficial" representations made by the
Consuls-General of the Powers shows that
there is very little hope of a speedy settle-
ment unless the Imperialists yield on all
points.

Bishop Pozzoni will preside this afternoon
at the annual distribution of prizes at St.
Mary's School, Kowloon.

Mr. C. L. McMeekin, Postmaster-General,
returned to the Colony from leave yesterday
by the P. and O. steamer *Derwent*.

The concert given by Kovarik in the
Theatre last night was well attended and his
performances were greeted with unstinted
applause. Owing to pressure on our space the
report of the concert is held over until
tomorrow.

For stealing a dozen tennis balls, the prop-
erty of Mr. H. R. Phillips, a native was
yesterday at the Magistracy sentenced to
three months' imprisonment and four hours
stricks.

A man having in his possession two Re-
volutionary badges was yesterday fined \$50
by Mr. Irving and ordered to be given 12
strokes with the "cat" for inciting the crowd
to attack a constable at Yau-mai. The con-
stable made an arrest, a crowd gathered and
defendant shouted to the onlookers to strike
the constable.

The news that the P. and O. Co. has fallen
into line with leading steamship companies
in allowing their ship surgeons to charge
reasonable fees for the treatment of first and
second cabin passengers should excite no
applause. Owing to pressure on our space the
Pregnation has been taken to provide that the
fees charged shall be reasonable, and on this
point the captain, to whom the bills are to
be submitted, is to be the judge.

His Serene Highness Prince Alexander of
Teck and Her Royal Highness the Princess
and their suites left Singapore by the P. and
O. steamer *Jassy* last week on their way
home from Bangkok. Their departure was
signalled shortly after eight o'clock by a
salute of guns from Fort Canning, while a
guard of honour of the Buffs was drawn up
on Johnston's Pier, where the Royal party
boarded the launch that took them to the
mailboat. A number of the civil and military
dignitaries of the Colony were also present
to bid them farewell. On the same steamer
is also the Danish prince.

H. M. S. INDOMITABLE.

The battle cruiser *Indomitable* is being
brought forward for a big overhaul and
general refit at Chatham, which is her port
of commissioning and manning. Under
ordinary circumstances, says a naval corre-
spondent, ships of her class have a most ex-
haustive refit every four years, and as she
has been only three and a half years flying
the pennant it is taken for granted that the
refit for her is to be the flag ship in the
Far East is correct. As the surveys are
now at work upon her to make their report
as to the approximate amount her refit will
cost, it is anticipated that the refit will run
through till the latter end of January. The
commission of the *Indomitable*, flagship of Vice-
Admiral Sir Alfred L. Wintle, K.C.B., com-
manding the China Squadron, will expire on
January 4th next.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE REVOLUTION.

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Tokyo, December 21st.

It is officially stated that the repre-
sentatives of the Powers at Peking
instructed their Consuls at Shanghai
to serve the Peace. Envoys with a
Note, which was presented on Wednes-
day.

The burden of the Note was that
the rebellion was a deplorable event,
not only to China, but to the Powers,
endangering the lives and property of
foreigners. Although the Powers in
future would maintain a strict neutral-
ity they desired to draw the attention
of the Envoys to the fact that the ces-
sation of hostilities and the restoration
of peace was most desirable.

["THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY."]

A DEADLOCK.

WU TING FANG'S REPLY TO THE
CONSULAR MESSAGE.

Shanghai telegrams state that a
deadlock has been reached at the
Peace Conference owing to Wu Ting
Fang maintaining that a Republic is
the only basis of settlement.

Tang Shao-Yi, the Imperial Dele-
gate, replied that he must refer such
an extremely important question to
Peking.

The armistice has consequently
been prolonged for a week.

The Consuls-General of the Powers
have made unofficial representations
to the Imperial and Rebel representa-

tives urging a speedy understanding
in the interests of all concerned.

Wu Ting Fang has replied that a
hasty peace is not in accordance
with the wishes of the people and
would probably lead to a more serious
outbreak.

AMERICAN TARIFF.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO CONGRESS.

LONDON, December 21st.

Reuter's Washington correspondent states
that President Taft recommends to Congress
material reductions in the wool schedules,
but refrains from proposing specific rates.

LATER.

President Taft in a Message to Congress
on the Report of the Tariff Board dealing
with the wool schedule urges immediate
revision in the direction of reductions, for
which, he says, there is ample reason,
particularly as regards raw wool. He
recommends that the Board be made per-
manent in order that it may treat each
schedule of the tariff like the wool schedule.

The Message is expected to lead to the
greatest political battle of the Session.

FRANCO-GERMAN AGREEMENT.

LONDON, December 21st.

The French Chamber of Deputies has
approved of the Morocco agreement by 393
votes to 36.

LATER.

A Paris telegram states that several
Deputies of constituencies on the Eastern
frontier abstained from the division on the
agreement on the ground that they did not
wish to subscribe to a Franco-German
rapprochement.

THE CRICKET TEST MATCH.

LONDON, December 21st.

The hot weather was probably responsible
for a small attendance at the match yester-
day. The wicket is showing signs of
wear.

The English XI. compiled 291. Hordern
took 7 wickets for 90 runs.

THE DUKE AND DUCHESS
OF FIFE.

LONDON, December 21st.

The Princess Royal and Family have
embarked at Gibraltar on the P. & O.
Macedonia for Egypt.

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A DISTINGUISHED REFUGEE

TOKYO, December 21st.

The former Viceroy of Canton has
arrived at Koba.

["THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY."]

THE OPIUM CONFERENCE.

LONDON, December 21st.

Reuter's correspondent at The Hague
states that the Opium Conference has
commenced a discussion on the draft of the
International Convention which is to be
submitted to the Powers for their ratifica-
tion.

SALES OF OPIUM.

LONDON, December 21st.

At the 1912 opium sales 19,840 chests
will be offered, 8,830 being from Patna and
11,010 from Gwalipur, of which 6,700 will
be certificated for export to China. The
figures show the effect that is being given
to the agreement with China.

STRIKES AT DUNDEE.

SITUATION CRITICAL.

LONDON, December 21st.

The situation at Dundee is critical. Many
factories, owing to lack of fuel, have closed.
It is estimated that twenty thousand mill
hands are idle as a consequence of the strike
of carters and dockers. The strikers held
up two lorries, one of which was unharnessed
and thrown into the docks. A procession
of two thousand men paraded the streets,
and the police have been further reinforced.

LATER.

The situation at Dundee is quieter. The
strikers announce the prospect of a settle-
ment to-morrow.

SCOTCH AND WELSH LABOUR
UNREST.

LONDON, December 21st.

Labour unrest threatens to mar Christmas
in the Scottish and Welsh coalfields, where
a minimum wage is demanded, and also in
North-east Lancashire, owing to the unionists
objecting to work in the same cotton mills
with non-unionists.

COTTON TRADE DISPUTE.

LONDON, December 21st.

The first shot in the Lancashire labour
struggle was fired at Accrington yesterday
when a mill stopped owing to the refusal
of the hands to work with two non-
unionists. The Employer's Association
meets to-morrow to consider the situation.
The lock-out of 100,000 operatives is
expected.

AMERICA AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, December 21st.

A Washington telegram states that the
House endorsed President Taft's abrogation
of the Russian Treaty with only one
dissentient.

BIGGEST (NAVAL GUN.

LONDON, December 21st.

It is announced that Krupp are manu-
facturing a 15 inch naval gun, the most
powerful in existence.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

LONDON, December 21st.

Reuter's Tehran correspondent wires that
the Mejlis has adopted the proposal of the
Minister for Foreign Affairs to appoint a
commission of five deputies with plenary
powers to deal with the Russian ultimatum.

TURKISH POLITICS.

LONDON, December 21st.

Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople
cables that the proposal of the Government
to modify the Constitution and give the
Sultan unrestricted power to dissolve
Parliament led to the most furious debate
in Turkish parliamentary history and de-
veloped a violent Opposition onslaught on
the Government and on the party of pro-
gress. The position of the Government is
seriously jeopardised.

The Minister for War appealed for con-
cord, stating that otherwise Turkey would
share the fate of Morocco and Persia.

Efforts are being made to form a coalition
Government.

OBITUARIES.

LONDON, December 21st.

The death is announced of Sir James
Ingis, the well-known engineer.

The death has occurred of William
McGregor, the founder of the Football
League.

TELEGRAMS.

["THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY."]

CHILLO-JAPANESE TRADE.

LONDON, December 21st.

Telegrams from Santiago state that the
Chilian Commissioner appointed to study
the Chillo-Japanese trade recommends an
arrangement whereby low-priced necessities
should be imported from Japan in return
for the exportation of nitrates.

GERMAN CONSUL AT MOMBASSA.

LONDON, December 21st.

Reuter's correspondent at Berlin wires
that the estimates provide for the appoint-
ment of a salaried Consul at Mombassa.

ANTI-BRITISH BOYCOTT IN
PERSIA.

LONDON, December 21st.

The Tehran correspondent of *The Times*
states that the anti-British boycott at Shiraz
is over. The sowars have obtained sup-
plies at the bazaar which previously refused
them.

BANK CLERK CHARGED WITH
FORGERY.

\$23,000 INVOLVED.

At the Magistracy yesterday the hearing
was continued of the charges of forgery brought
against Sany Kasrek Abdoel, a young clerk
formerly in the employ of the International
Bank. Mr. P. M. Hodgson, Assistant Crown
Solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. P. W. Goldring
defended. The charges of forgery were amend-
ed and added to, while charges of falsification
were also added, the total number of counts
being sixteen. Defendant pleaded not guilty
on all counts.

Mr. Hodgson opened the case. He said—The
charges on which the Crown now intend to
proceed are that (1) between July 31st and
November 11th the defendant forged eight
cheques to the extent of \$5,000 in the name of
Li Po Chun; that between November 1st and
November 10th he forged four cheques to the
extent of \$17,000 in the name of Lau Cheong
Wan; (2) that between the dates mentioned he
defrauded monies intended to defraud the In-
ternational Banking Corporation to the extent
of \$23,000 upon the forged cheques; and (3)
that on various dates between July 31st
and November 11th he defrauded the
bank of the Bank in respect of the
monies received and other sums. These
were very serious charges, charges punishable
with life. I repudiate any statement that is
made or that may be made that the defendant is
the dupe of somebody else in this case. It may
be that there were others who were eventually
benefited by these criminal acts, but when I have
unfounded the extraordinary scheme and the
cheques were perpetrated by the defendant in this
case, I am sure your Worship will agree that he
alone was responsible for these falsifications and
for the forged cheques in respect of which he is
charged. Proceeding, Mr. Hodgson stated
that it would be necessary for him to refer to
several accounts in the Bank's ledgers. The
first was that of Li Po Chun, the second that of
Au Ching Hing, the third that of the Communi-
cation Bank, and the fourth that of Man Cheung
Yuen. He would also, of course, have to refer
to the account of Lau Cheong Wan in con-
nection with the other forged cheques. Dealing
with the forged cheques on Li Po Chun's
account, which covered the first eight counts of
the first charge, Mr. Hodgson said that
in order to prove that the cheques were forged
by the defendant it would be necessary to go
rather lengthily into the very ingenious and
carefully prepared scheme of the defendant's to
cook the ledger by his entries and bogus ad-
ditions. He would further deal later on with
the enormous sum which passed through the
hands of the defendant between August 1st and
the time of his arrest and to the monies placed
in the various banks of the Colony in the name
of the defendant on current account and on
deposit account. The first falsification made by
the defendant in the passbook of Li Po Chun was
on September 11th. He was not charged with
that, but it would have to be dealt with in the
evidence. Although all the forged cheques on
Li's account amounted to \$5,000, passed
through the account and were placed in the
ledger to the debit of Li Po Chun, not one of
them was mentioned in the passbook made up by
the defendant later on. All the passbooks had to
be initiated by a European officer of the Bank
before being sent out to the customer, and these
initials had also been forged. So it came to this—
Li Po Chun's account in the passbook is returned
to him correct according to his paying-in book
and cheque book, but incorrect according to the
Bank ledger. This deception would, of course,
keep Li Po Chun at arm's length and leave the
defendant free to deal with the Bank's ledger
in cooking the account. So defendant at once
set to work to cover the tracks by making a
false entry by crediting Li Po Chun's account
by \$5,000 on the 11th September in sums
of \$2,000 and \$3,000, being the amounts he had
drawn out by the forged cheques. Having
credited one man with a sum of \$5,000, obviously
he must debit somebody else if his ledger ac-
count was to be correct, because it must be
borne in mind that the actual money on the
forged cheques was drawn out of Li Po Chun's
account and no corresponding money paid into
the account when he re-credited the account,
it being merely a book entry. On the arrest
of the defendant, Sergeant Grant, under a
search warrant, obtained various incriminat-
ing papers and matter in the de-
fendant's house, which were looked up in the
Bank ledger. This defendant, the key of
which was found upon the defendant. Amongst
these papers was found a certain cheque drawn
on a man called Au Ping Ching for \$5,000, the
number of which was 107335. This was a per-
fectly genuine cheque which passed through the
Bank in the ordinary way on the 9th of August,
and the amount of course was debited to Au
Ping Ching's account. The defendant had
access to all old vouchers, and the only in-
debt belonging to the defendant, the only in-
debt which he must have stolen the
cheque to enable him to use it as would be
shown he did use it. This amount having been
debited quite properly on the 9th August, the
defendant on the 14th September falsified the
account of Au Ping Ching by debiting his
account again with a sum of \$5,000, giving the
same number of the cheque, looking it off in
blue pencil to deceive any European officer.
This made the ledger account outwardly in
order. The weekly balance of the ledger took
place on the 15th September, and the
only thing the defendant now needed to
do was to keep Au Ping Ching at arm's

length so that he shall not know that
the sum of \$5,000 had again been debited to his
account on the cheque. Going back to Li Po
Chun's account, Mr. Hodgson stated that on
14th September the defendant forged another
cheque for \$650 in Li Po Chun's account and
he was duly debited with the amount in the
Bank's books. The cheque was not through the
Bank in the ordinary way, for no correspon-
ding money was necessary except to make a false entry of
debit, because it would appear in the ledger that
the money had gone through in the ordinary
way. The account was less by \$650, and on the
21st September defendant did the same thing in
the ledger of a forged cheque of \$350, making in all
\$1,000. The position now was this—Li Po Chun's
account was \$1,000 less than it should be and
Au Ping Ching's account was \$5,000 less than
it should be; the ledger accounts were outwardly
in order. So long as Au Ping Ching and
Li Po Chun were kept away from the
Bank the matter would not be found out.
Unfortunately for the defendant, Au Ping
Ching did come across his path on the 18th
September, when he presented a cheque for
payment on his own account, and with the
account less by \$5,000 than it should have been
the cheque would have been dishonoured, be-
cause the cheque exceeded the balance on the
proper balance, but the balance purported to be
correct. But this did not trouble the defendant at
all; he promptly made a book entry crediting
Au Ping Ching with \$5,000. That made the
account right again, but left defendant \$5,000
in his ledger account if the balance of the
ledger were to be taken. All these falsifications
so far had been done in one ledger, Ledger "A,"
and to get out of his difficulty of being \$5,000
out he turned to Ledger "B" and debited the
account of the Communication Bank with
\$5,000, making the number of the cheque
109855. That would put the ledger right, but
leave the Communication Bank with \$5,000 less
than they should have. With regard to the
number of the cheque, the Com-
munication Bank had drawn on their
numbers 109850 and 109870, but the cheque
109856 had never passed through the Bank
account at all, having been drawn by the Com-
munication Bank and cancelled before being
presented for payment. The defendant was
very quick to notice that this cheque had never
come to hand, so he used this number to enable
him to cover his false entry of \$5,000 and ticked
it off in blue pencil as if passed by a European
officer. It then suddenly occurred to the de-
fendant that the balances were shortly coming out
and that as the ledger had to be balanced
separately he would have to balance the
Ledger "B" and \$5,000 too much in Ledger
"A." So on the 21st Sept. he again made a
false entry in both ledgers. In Ledger "B"
he credited the Communication Bank with \$5,000,
and in Ledger "A" he again debited Au Ping
Ching with \$5,000, giving the same old number
to the cheque. The ledger accounts were now
in order, but Au Ping Ching's account was again
less by \$5,000 than it should be. On Sept. 23rd,
Au Ping Ching presented a cheque for \$24,000
for payment, and as his debit account was only
\$5,000 more than it should be, his balance on that
date was only \$19,250. So his cheque for
\$24,000 could not be met. In order to get over
this difficulty the defendant made a further
false entry, refunding the sum of \$5,000 to Au
Ping Ching's credit. That closed the account
as far as the prosecution were concerned, for it
was again in order. With seven days to go be-
fore the balances were to be taken, the de-
fendant had time to look around and he had
ed the fact that the position now was that there
was now \$5,000 too much in the ledger accounts
of the Bank, and to get over this difficulty the
defendant turned to the account of a man named
Man Cheung Yuen and turned a genuine entry
on the debit side of \$20,000 into one of \$25,000
by adding a stroke to the third figure. This
made Man Cheung Yuen's account \$5,000 out.
On the 7th October, Man Cheung Yuen
presented a cheque for payment which was
decidedly awkward for the defendant, so the
defendant promptly made another false entry
which settled the account and left
him again \$5,000 out in his ledger
account. Mr. Hodgson referred to the forgery
of cheques amounting to \$17,000 on Lau Cheong
Wan's account, and stated that these were now
detected by Lau presenting a cheque which did
not come through the hands of the defendant.
The Bank dishonoured the cheque, Lau ap-
peared, and as his debit account was only
\$5,000 more than it should be, he had
drawn the cheques which had been issued, and
he stated that the signature was not his. Mr.
Hodgson said he would produce a number of
unused cheques and imitations of stamps which
had been found at the defendant's house, and he
would show that the defendant, though only
getting \$20 a month, had between 31st July,
and November 11th paid into various Banks in
the Colony sums amounting to \$20,000, in one
Bank the Russo-Asiatic Bank, in another
of A. R. Stephens, the same initials as his own.
Evidently he was endeavouring to feather his
nest in another name with a view to departing
from the Colony. Mr. Hodgson said he would
show that it was the most daring, clever and
ingenious swindle that had ever come before
the Court.

Evidence was called, and the case was ad-
judged.

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STEAMERS	CLARA JEBSEN, German str., 1,103. A. Uldrup, 20th Dec.—Hollow 13th Dec., General—Jensen & Co.	CHANGCHOW, British str., 1,204. Geo. De Mills, 11th Dec.—Wakamatsu 6th Dec., Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	CHONGSHING, British str., 1,223. V. Liddell, 14th Dec.—Tientsin and Weihaiwei 8th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	CHICAGO MARU, Japanese str., 6,200. I. Goto, 18th Dec.—Tacoma 12th Nov., Flour and General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.	CHIYUN, Chinese str., 1,177. Wm. Jamieson, 10th Dec.—Shanghai 7th Dec., General—C. M. S. N. Co.	DEVAWONGSE, German str., 1,057. E. Gathe, 17th Dec.—Bangkok 5th and Anglin 9th Dec., Rice and Timber—Butterfield & Swire.	DORTMUND, German str., 5,235. G. Bold, 10th Dec.—Hamburg and Singapore 3rd Dec., General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.	DRUPAR, Norwegian str., 1,102. J. Bing, 19th Dec.—Hankok 8th and Swatow 18th Dec., General—Kia Tye Lung.	EMPIRE, British str., 2,243. St. John George, 20th Dec.—Sunder via ports 28th Nov., General—Joo Tak Singapore & Co.	HELEN, German str., 771. Boadren, 16th Dec.—Swatow 15th Dec., General—Jensen & Co.	HONGKONG, French str., 739. A. Cornelissen, 10th Dec.—Haiphong 7th Dec., Rice—A. R. Marty.	HOPKINS, British str., 1,359. J. M. Hay, 17th Dec.—from Hainan—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	HSIN CHANG, Chinese str., 1,250. F. Humblin, 16th Dec.—Tientsin and Chofon 8th Dec., Nuts and General—C. M. S. N. Co.	HUKOW, British str., 1,217. Hooker, 16th Dec.—Weihaiwei 10th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.	HUMAN, British str., 1,143. J. Speed, 13th Dec.—Tientsin and Swatow 12th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.	ICHANG, British str., 1,228. R. Lewis, 19th Dec.—Tientsin and Swatow 18th Dec., Nuts—Butterfield & Swire.	INDRA, British str., 1,375. A. S. Graham, 16th Dec.—Savang, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	KAIFUKU MARU, Japanese str., 1,903. S. Suda, 12th Dec.—Mororan 1st December, Coal—Order.	KALGAN, British str., 1,143. Davis, 17th Dec.—Wakamatsu 11th Dec., Coal—Butterfield & Swire.	KIRIN MARU, Japanese str., 2,361. M. Dognachi, 20th Dec.—Singapore 19th Dec., General and Cotton—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	KOTANG, British str., 4,335. R. C. D. Bradley, 19th Dec.—Moji 15th Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.	LOCHING, British str., 2,122. E. P. Smith, 19th Dec.—Singapore 12th Dec., General—David Sassoon & Co.	MARIE, German str., 1,169. H. Schlicker, 18th Dec.—Saigon 12th Dec., General—Jebon & Co.	MONTAGLE, British str., 6,165. W. Davison, R.N.R., 20th Dec.—Shanghai 17th Dec.—C. P. R. Co.	NIKRO MARU, Japanese str., 3,439. M. Yagi, 20th Dec.—Yokohama 12th Dec., General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	NIPPON MARU, Japanese str., 3,452. A. G. Stevens, R.N.R., 12th Dec.—San Francisco 15th Nov., General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.	ONSANG, British str., 1,737. Smith, 18th Dec.—Chingwantao 11th Dec., Coal—C. E. & M. Co.	PONTONG, German str., 978. W. Hofmahr, 10th Dec.—Singapore and Hollow 8th Dec.—Butterfield & Swire.	SABRE, Dutch str., 573. D. E. Bevo, 14th Dec.—Amoy 13th Dec., Beans oil—Asiatic Petroleum Co.	SEVERIC, British str., 4,011. F. S. Cowley, 15th Dec.—Victoria 13th Nov., General—Bank Line.	STETSON, German str., 3,544. B. Kolitz, 13th Dec.—Shanghai 10th Dec., General—Humbert-Amerika Linie.	TAIKOSAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,904. 17th Dec.—Moji 11th December, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.	TAISHU, Chinese str., 1,216. R. G. Paramore, 17th Dec.—Shanghai 14th Dec., Mails and General—C. M. S. N. Co.	TAIWAN, British str., 1,459. L. Dawson, 18th Dec.—Melbourne 17th Nov., Frozen and General—Butterfield & Swire.	TELEMACHUS, British str., 1,340. Fraser, 16th Dec.—Saigon 10th Dec., General—W. Fat Sing.	TENYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,269. E. Bent, 19th Dec.—San Francisco 2nd November, Mails and General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.	TJIMAH, Dutch str., 2,740. J. P. Scholten, 12th Dec.—Batavia 3rd Dec.—Sugar and General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.	TRIUMPH, German str., 769. W. Lungevager, 18th Dec.—Haiphong and Hollow 17th Dec., Rice and General—Jensen & Co.	TRINTAU, German str., 1,002. F. Bucking, 13th Dec.—Hollow 14th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.	WAKASA MARU, Japanese str., 3,223. A. Nilsen, 20th Dec.—Bombay and Singapore 13th Dec., Cotton and General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.	WUCHOW, British str., 1,217. W. French, 6th Dec.—Swatow 15th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.	YUENSANG, British str., 1,178. P. N. Rolfe, 19th Dec.—Manila 16th Dec., Hemp and General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 21st at 12:05 p.m.—Pressure has increased at all stations, particularly over Japan and N. China.

The depression lying over N. E. Japan yesterday is moving away over the Pacific.

The anticyclonic area, central over the continent to the North of the Yangtze Valley, has spread towards S.E. and now covers W. Japan and the Loochoos.

Strong monsoon will continue to prevail over the China coast and the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT FORECAST.

* Hongkong & Neighbourhood

Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, strong to a gale.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Loochoos ... Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ... Same as No. 1.

* N.E. winds, strong; drizzling rain or mist.

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

21st DECEMBER, A.M.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.	Weather.
Vladivostok	7 a.	30.58	6	62	NNW	0	b
Manchuria	6 a.	29.75	—	—	NNW	3	—
Hakodate	"	29.99	—	—	WNW	6	—
Tokio	"	31.14	—	—	NNW	1	—
Kobe	"	30.39	—	—	SW	1	—
Nagasaki	"	30.49	—	—	N	3	—
Kagoshima	"	30.47	—	—	N	1	—
Oshima	"	30.40	—	—	NNE	2	—
Naha	"	30.32	—	—	E	2	—
Ishijima	"	30.25	—	—	E	2	—
Bonin Is.	"	30.24	—	—	—	—	—
Choshi	6 a.	30.74	29	77	N	4	cm
Wakamatsu	6 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Hankow	9 a.	30.61	31	91	NNE	3	or
Kiukiang	"	30.54	41	92	NNE	5	ond
Shanghai	"	30.54	41	92	NNE	5	ond
Swatow	6 a.	30.34	60	83	NW	1	or
Taihou	5 a.	30.21	—	—	E	0	—
Taipei	"	30.21	—	—	N	0	—
Taiwan	"	30.19	—	—	NW	0	—
Koshan	"	30.22	—	—	N	8	—
Pescadore	"	30.22	—	—	N	8	—
Canton	9 a.	30.26	59	94	N	1	f
Hongkong	10 a.	30.26	63	93	N	4	o
Vict. Peak	"	—	—	—	NNE	5	—
Gap Rock	"	—	—	—	E	5	—
Macao	"	30.24	65	—	ENE	4	of
Wuchow	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Haihow	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pakhoi	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Phallien	8 a.	30.15	68	—	N	2	db
Tourane	"	30.13	77	—	NE	3	o
C. St. James	"	30.11	70	—	SE	3	o
Apurri	10 a.	30.11	82	71	ENE	0	d
Manila	6 a.	30.04	77	—	N	2	b
Lagay	9 a.	—	—	—	—	—	—
Bacolod	"	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iloilo	"	30.05	85	—	N	2	b
Cebu	"	29.97	86	—	N	1	b
Labuan	"	29.97	85	—	—	—	—

F. G. Figg, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, December 21st, 1911.

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SHANGHAI	"HUIHOW"	On 23rd Dec., Midnight
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"SI-KIANG"	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon

S.S. "SI-KIANG," Capt. E. de Catalano.
(1ST AND 2ND CLASSES) will leave Hongkong for KWANG CHOW WANG and HAIPHONG, on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd JAN., 1912, at 9 A.M.

For Passage and Freight apply to
P. THOMAS, N.M. Co.'s AGENT.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"CHICAGO MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"TACOMA MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 24th Jan., at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"CANADA MARU"	TUESDAY, 9th Jan., at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"PANAMA MARU"	SATURDAY, 3rd Feb., at 11 A.M.

REGULAR SERVICES, PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (Subject to Alteration).

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O.S.K. has made the following revision on 1st class passage to Victoria, Tacoma, Seattle Vancouver, Portland, and San Francisco:—
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From Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama G. \$95.00
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"DAIJIN MARU"	Sunday, 24th Dec., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"SOSHU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 27th Dec., at 10 A.M.

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For information of Freight, Passage, Sailings, etc., apply at the Co.'s Local Branch Office, at Second Floor, No. 1, Queen's Buildings
S. HIROL, MANAGER

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"INDIA"	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1912.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS FOR MARSEILLES AND LONDON

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c. THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
ASSAYE	7500	February 3	March 2	March 8
HIMALAYA	7000	February 17	March 16	March 22
DELHI	8000	March 2	March 30	April 5
INDIA	8000	March 16	April 19	April 25
DEVANHA	8000	March 30	April 27	May 3
DELTA	8000	April 13	May 11	May 17
ASSAYE	7500	April 27	May 25	May 31
DELHI	8000	May 11	June 8	June 14

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, with exception of s.s. "INDIA" and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID. Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON:
1st SALOON £71.10 SINGLE £106.14 RETURN.
2nd SALOON £49.10 SINGLE £72.12 RETURN.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR LONDON CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES. PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	Leave HONGKONG	Due LONDON
NYANZA	7000	February 7
NILE	7000	March 6
NUBIA	6000	April 3
SUMATRA	5000	April 17
NAMUR	7000	May 1
PALAWAN	5000	May 15
BORNEO	5000	May 29
SYRIA	7000	June 12
NORE	7000	June 26

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES.

FARES TO LONDON:
1st SALOON £55.00 SINGLE £82.10 RETURN.
2nd SALOON £38.10 SINGLE £57.40 RETURN.

For further Particulars, apply to—
E. A. HEWETT, SUPERINTENDENT.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"KAWACHI MARU"	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon

These Steamers call also at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, and at MARSEILLES.

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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

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SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"KITANO MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 3rd Jan., at Daylight
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"IYO MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 17th Jan., at Daylight
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"TAMBA MARU"	TUESDAY, 2nd Jan., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"AWA MARU"	TUESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"KAMAKURA MARU"	SATURDAY, 30th Dec., from Kobe
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"NIKKO MARU"	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"KUMANO MARU"	FRIDAY, 19th Jan., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"BOMBAY MARU"	TUESDAY, 25th Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"TANGO MARU"	THURSDAY, 4th Jan., at Noon

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"HIROSHIMA MARU," 4,000 tons, Capt. Hirase, Saturday, Dec. 30th

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SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"TANGO MARU"	FRIDAY, 22nd Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"KAMO MARU"	FRIDAY, 29th Dec., at Noon
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"AEI MARU"	FRIDAY, 16th Feb., 1912
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"MISHIMA MARU"	FRIDAY, 23rd Feb., 1912
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"KAGA MARU"	FRIDAY, 30th Feb., 1912
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"ATSUTA MARU"	FRIDAY, 7th March, 1912
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"HITACHI MARU"	FRIDAY, 14th March, 1912
SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU	"MIYASAKI MARU"	FRIDAY, 21st March, 1912

FOR SEATTLE.

STEAMER	Tons	CAPTAIN	FROM HONGKONG
"TANGO MARU"	7,000	K. Kawara	February 14th
"KAMO MARU"	7,000	F. L. Sommer	February 28th
"AEI MARU"	7,000	K. Homma	March 13th
"MISHIMA MARU"	7,000	A. C. Moses	March 27th
"KAGA MARU"	7,000	M. Hagino	April 10th
"ATSUTA MARU"	7,000	Wm. Thompson	April 24th
"HITACHI MARU"	7,000	T. Yamawaki	May 8th
"MIYASAKI MARU"	7,000	T. Murai	May 22nd

FOR SEATTLE.

STEAMER	Tons	CAPTAIN	FROM HONGKONG
"INABA MARU"	7,000	S. Tomimaga	February 27th
"TAMBA MARU"	7,000	K. Noda	March 13th
"SANUKI MARU"	7,000	T. Iizawa	April 9th
"INABA MARU"	7,000	S. Tomimaga	April 23rd

For further information, apply to—
T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.
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